

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 24 2006

DOCKET NO.: DIBIS-0002US.P4 (Counsel Docket No. 10448)

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventors: Ecker, Griffey, Sampath, Hofstadler, McNeil, Crooke, Blyn, and Hall

Serial No.: 10/660,996

Group Art Unit: 1637

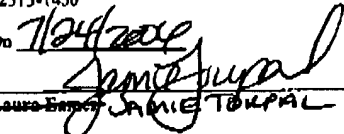
Filed: 9/12/2003

Examiner: Fredman, Jeffrey Norman

Title: **METHOD FOR RAPID DETECTION AND IDENTIFICATION OF
BIOAGENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND PRODUCT TESTING**

I certify that this correspondence is being facsimile
transmitted to 571-273-8300 or deposited with the U.S. Postal
Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to the
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA
22313-1450

On


~~Laura Ecker~~ J. MICHAEL TORRAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 05/30/2006

Preliminary to examination of the above-captioned patent application, please amend the
application as follows:

- ☒ Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 this paper.
- ☒ Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.